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WATER PLANS ARE APPROVED

SOLE MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP

Sale of Water Bonds in Sierra Madre Proposed as Big Advertisement for the City

Instant approval greeted the proposal for municipal ownership of the local water supply and distributing system as outlined in last week's News. Favorable comment has been heard on all sides, many citizens declaring themselves in favor of carrying the matter to a conclusion just as soon as the court proceedings over the Baldwin share of the Santa Anita canyon are disposed of.

In fact some favor taking up the sale of the Water Company's holdings to the city without waiting for the court's decision in the condemnation suit. In case the stockholders of the company should agree to sell to the city the matter of having the voters pass upon the purchase could be taken up as soon as the Baldwin issue is settled.

The plan of using only so much of the recently authorized bond issue as is necessary for purchasing the Baldwin interest has met with particular favor. This would leave the balance of the \$40,000 to apply on the purchase of the company's holdings and would obviate the necessity of duplicating any part of the existing distributing system for the purpose of providing the city with a fire protection system.

Captain Osgood has come out strongly in favor of the plan of municipal ownership of the entire local system. In addition he has made a suggestion which appears to be feasible and worthy of careful consideration. It is to the effect that the bond issue recently authorized by the voters be floated right here in Sierra Madre. It is expected that not more than \$15,000 or \$20,000 will be needed for the satisfaction of the Baldwin interests and costs of the proceedings. If these bonds could be taken up here in Sierra Madre the city would receive a fine advertisement because of the faith in its stability displayed by its citizens. It would probably be easier to float subsequent issues if no other Sierra Madre bonds were held outside the city.

Many things are to be taken into consideration in connection with the transfer of the company's holdings to the city. In a sense it is, as has often been said, a case of taking money from one pocket and putting it into another. But there are other factors even more important. Among these may be mentioned the share of the costs borne under either plan by non-resident property owners. At present non-resident owners of property pay none of the cost except an occasional stock assessment and interest on the money tied up in water stock. In case of municipal ownership their property would be taxed the same as that of resident owners. Residents of Sierra Madre who do not own property now pay only for water actually used for domestic or irrigating purposes. They would

FLIES OVER SIERRA MADRE

Sierra Madre was treated to a beautiful aviation exhibition Thursday when Arch Hoxsey, in a Wright biplane, flew directly over the city while making one of the most remarkable flights on record. Starting from Dominguez field he flew to Mt. Wilson, circling around 3000 feet above the summit, and returned to the Aviation field after climbing to an altitude of more than 10,000 feet. The actual distance covered was about 100 miles. The flight is said to have been the highest ever made over a mountain range. Two hours and a quarter were occupied by the flight, including several laps around the course at Dominguez.

Many Sierra Madre people witnessed the flight over the city. At one time the machine was low enough so it could be identified as a Wright biplane, but it moved rapidly away till it appeared as a mere speck and then disappeared. Come again, Mr. Hoxsey.

NEW TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Preparations are now under way for getting out the regular quarterly issue of the Sierra Madre telephone directory. The book will be issued in January. Advertisers wishing to make space reservations should call up the News office at once.

CONGREGATIONAL SERVICES

First Congregational Church, Rev. James M. Campbell, D. D., pastor. Services for Sunday, January 1.

Sunday School 9:45 a. m., Mr. F. D. R. Moore, superintendent.

Morning worship, 11 o'clock. Communion of the Lord's supper. Theme of discourse, "Looking Forward and Moving Forward."

Christian Endeavor service at 6:45 p. m. Topic, "Untrodden Ways."

Evening service, 7:30 p. m. Subject of sermon, "The Guide of Humanity."

Social meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society on Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock.

Mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Subject, "What Does Our Church Need?"

continue to pay such charges under municipal ownership. So it would seem the costs of ownership and operation would be more evenly distributed under municipal ownership than is now the case. An endeavor will be made to present some figures bearing on this and other phases of the subject, as well as expressions of opinion from various citizens.

A general clarifying of the situation might result from a conference between the city trustees, the directors of the Water Company, their respective attorneys, and the directors of the Board of Trade who are not members of either body mentioned. Some plan of procedure could be agreed upon so that there would be less cause for complaint over lack of information than was heard at the opening of the recent campaign for the water bonds. At such a conference it could be decided when would be the best time to present to the stockholders of the Water Company the question of selling out to the city.

NEW LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS

Foothill Precincts Should Have a Representative of Their Own.

One of the problems to be solved by the legislature now about to assemble is the redistricting of the state for senatorial and representative elections. The great gains in population since the districts were given their present arrangement will greatly change the representation of various parts of the state, especially Los Angeles county. It has been announced that gerrymandering will not be practiced in the re-districting, which will be good news to the present Sixty-ninth assembly district, which is about the worst example of gerrymandering in the state.

It has been suggested to the News that the foothill precincts should have a representative of their own. Sierra Madre is now in the Sixty-ninth district which takes in most of Long Beach and then zig-zags up this way and reaches clear over the mountains, including a part of Pasadena and Altadena. The bulk of the population in the district is in Long Beach, by reason of which the representative is always nominated from that city for the purpose of swinging the local vote. As a result the northern end of the district sees its representative about once in two years, namely, about election time. The degree of his familiarity with needs and conditions up this way can well be imagined.

Senator N. W. Thompson and Assemblyman Randall are members of the committee having under consideration the rearrangement of the districts. The News would like to suggest to them the foothill territory be put in a district by itself. If the population is not sufficient, include with it the upper San Gabriel Valley. In this way territory with closely allied interests would have a common representative in the legislature and a resident of this part of the county could be elected instead of filling the place with a man from the remote southern part of the county.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Church of the Ascension, the Rev. Dr. George H. Cornell, Rector. Feast of the Circumcision. Sunday School and Bible class, 9:45 a. m. Sermon and Holy Communion, 11 a. m.; at this service the Christmas music will be repeated. Evening prayer and sermon, 7:30. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

The Misses Hilda and Edith Blumer entertained with an informal Christmas party on Wednesday evening. The guests invited were Meses. Stevenson, Camp, Webster, Richard Chapman, Ed Hart, Misses Daisy Hawks, Webster, Vannier, Florence Vannier, Lambert, Jones, Humphries, Hilda Humphries, and Walford of Pasadena, Messrs. Tasker Webster, Camp, Fred Vannier, Dr. Chapman, Ed Hart, Frank Hart, Frank Gresham of San Francisco, Twose and Bourke.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowland D. Laws spent Christmas as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Lewis of Hollywood.

SUDDEN DEATH OF MRS. SINCLAIR

TAKEN WITHOUT WARNING

Health Apparently Good and Final Summons Follows Apoplectic Stroke Within a Few Hours

Mrs. John Sinclair was called by death about two o'clock Thursday morning, following a stroke of apoplexy which she suffered at seven o'clock Wednesday evening. The fact that she had been in apparently good health made the shock of her taking off the more keenly felt by Mr. Sinclair and their many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair had been spending the week with friends in Long Beach and only returned home about five o'clock Wednesday afternoon. They had gone to their home on West Laurel and Mrs. Sinclair was seated and reading when the stroke came. Mr. Sinclair thought at first she had fallen in a faint. Aid was summoned and she was put to bed. Even the doctor did not at first regard the attack as dangerous. She did not lose consciousness for some time and even slept a little during the evening, though she lost the power of speech and of control over her body. Later, however, the heart and respiratory organs became affected and the end followed soon.

During the months that Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair have resided in Sierra Madre many people here had come to love the quiet, kindly and helpful woman who has just been called home. She made friends wherever she went and her loss will be keenly felt in other places as well as in this city. The bereaved husband who is left entirely alone so far as relatives are concerned, has the sympathy of many friends who share his grief.

Mrs. Sinclair was fifty years of age and a native of Minnesota. She and her husband came here from Sibley, Iowa, a little less than a year ago. She was a member of the P. E. O. society and the Order of the Eastern Star. She had been actively assisting in the formation of a local chapter of the latter society in Sierra Madre and was to have been one of the officers in the chapter for which a charter had been applied.

Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at the home, Rev. James M. Campbell in charge. Interment will be at the Sierra Madre cemetery.

EARLY CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Music is peculiarly fitting as a part of any Christmas observance and no Christmas custom is more beautiful than that of ushering in the day with Christmas carols. It is to be hoped its observance in Sierra Madre which has been kept up for several years will not be allowed to drop. The quartet who made the rounds of the city this year with their early morning greeting were Misses Edna Staples and Elsie Caskey, Messrs. J. L. Stevenson and Ted DePencier.

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BY THE WAY

Start the New Year with a SMILE
and then KEEP RIGHT ON SMILING.

One day remains in which to hit
a few more high spots before your
annual reformation.

Have you made your selection of
New Year resolutions yet? Most
people find the valuable assortment
unusually large this year.

More than one man did not wait
for New Year's day but swore off
smoking as soon as he had sampled
some of his Christmas cigars.

Aren't you glad you don't have to
carry a tub of water to the cellar at
night to keep the potatoes from freezing?
(If you don't know what that
means ask some one from a climate
where the mercury drops below zero
now and then).

Over at the state school at Whittier
a 580-pound Christmas cake was
served to the boys. One youngster
in Sierra Madre dreamed on Christmas
night that he had eaten a cake
about that size all by himself. Probably
a good many similar cases were
unreported.

The annual habit of shattering
aviation records which has been
formed down there at Dominguez
field is a good one from the point of
view of entertainment as well as advertisement
for Southern California. E. S. Mollenkopf
says he has some dope which will make
vulcanizing unnecessary if you crack your
neck while trying to watch the bird men.

Senator Owen makes a good point
when he asks "Why conserve the life
of the forest and forget the life of
the forester and his children? Why
protect cattle from Texas fever and
not protect people from typhoid and
malarial fever? Why conserve the
orange tree and fight the San Jose
scale and not conserve the people
who eat oranges?" These are pertinent
questions, and it will be noticed
that more conservation is asked
for without condemning the kind already
sought in various portions of
the country.

Strange, isn't it, that these war
scares bob up so regularly about the
time congress meets and there is a
fresh chance for some fat appropriations?
Of course the battleship
builders, the armor plate makers and
the big gun manufacturers have
nothing to do with the manufacture
of the startling news we read daily
regarding our defenceless condition.
Nevertheless the Associated Press
and other news gathering agencies
should look well to their sources of

news and see that it comes from unbiased
quarters.

Early Christmas shopping has compensations
of which the half has never yet been told,
especially when gifts are mailed early to insure
timely delivery. One young lady in this
vicinity solves some of her most vexing
gift problems by sorting over the gifts
received sufficiently early and passing
along to other friends those articles
which do not strike her fancy. Each
article then becomes like the quality of
mercy, "twice blest; it blesseth him that
gives, and him that takes," the more
because both are combined in one person.

Inasmuch as Uncle Sam has only
about 10,000 miles of coast line, why
not fortify it all? The big guns
ought to cover effectively about 15
miles of shore in each direction,
which would make necessary only
300 or 400 forts. Of course all of
them would be provided for on the
"you tickle me and I'll tickle you"
plan which prevails in making congressional
appropriations. The seacoast congressman
would thus be expected to vote for the
expenditure of an equal amount on public
buildings, waterways and other plums
for the interior districts and the total
cost of relieving our war scare would
not be much over a trillion of dollars.
By the time the money is spent we
will no longer be worrying over
maritime invasions, for the aviators
will make it necessary to build an
armor plate roof over the entire
country.

HOW TO JUDGE

Union labor does not stand high
in popular estimation in Southern
California just now. Some people
are always to be found who condemn
it absolutely and at every opportunity.
Others are of open mind and as
willing to see good as bad in it.
In the minds of many of these the
taint of suspicion lies upon union
labor because of acts of violence
which, if committed by union men
at all, were committed without
knowledge or sanction of the great
body of organized labor. While
union labor is in the balance the
following statement from The Citizen,
the union organ in Los Angeles, is
worthy of consideration:

"Unionism should not be judged
by its worst features, but by its
general characteristics. It does not
ask to be judged by its best qualities.
There is good and bad in all institutions.
Their real value lies in their
general attributes. Unionism has
objectionable features, but even these
when properly understood, lose much
of their objectionableness.

"The real test of an institution lies
in its helpfulness to those who need
help. The union stands for the progress
of the plain people. Its word is
personality. Its aim is to lift the
standard of toiling manhood and
womanhood. It has done much and
will do more to make the multitude
happier and better. To criticize it
apart from a recognition of this purpose
is to do it an injustice."

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D. TARNOPOL

ASSESSMENT NOTICE

Sierra Madre Lamanda Citrus Association.

Lamanda Park, Cal.,

Notice is hereby given that at a
regular meeting of the Directors of
the Sierra Madre-Lamanda Citrus Association
held on the 13th day of December,
1910, an assessment of two dollars
per share was levied upon the capital
stock of said corporation, payable
immediately to W. I. Allen, the
secretary thereof at the office of
the company at Lamanda Park for
the purpose of paying the indebtedness
of the corporation. Any stock upon
which this assessment shall remain
unpaid on the 23rd day of January,
1911, will be delinquent and advertised
for sale at public auction, and unless
payment is made before will be sold
on the ninth day of February, 1911,
at 10 o'clock a. m. at the aforesaid
office of the secretary to pay the
delinquent assessment together with
cost of advertising and expenses of
sale.

WALTER I. ALLEN,

Secretary,

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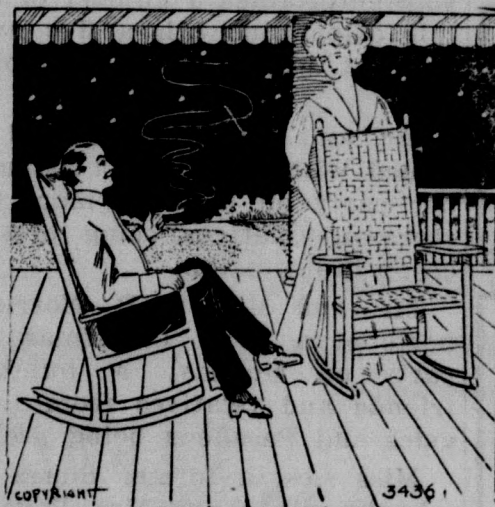
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Trustees meet in City Hall on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 7:30 p. m.

CHURCHES

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL—Central avenue, at Hermosa. Rev. James M. Campbell, D.D., pastor. Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.; morning service, 11 a. m.; Christian Endeavor Society, 6:45 p. m.; evening service, 7:30 p. m.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION (Episcopal)—Dr. George H. Cornell, Rector. Residence, The Rectory. Phone Black 70. Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.; Morning Prayer and Sermon, 11 a. m.; Holy Communion first Sunday in the month, 11 a. m.; on the greater festivals and other days by appointment, 7:30 a. m.; Sunday evening service from October to July, 7:30 p. m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC—Baldwin and Olive avenues. Rev. M. W. Barth in charge. Services at 9 a. m. Sunday.

PACIFIC ELECTRIC RAILWAY

Leave Los Angeles	Leave Sierra Madre
A. M.	P. M.
5:55	12:05
6:25	12:25†
7:05	1:05
8:05	2:05
9:05	3:05
10:05	4:05
11:05*	5:05
	5:30
	6:15
	9:05
	11:30

† Express and passenger, except Sunday.

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THE MAIL

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His First Words.

"I guess," remarked simple old Farmer Hoe, "that we'd better have Andrew stop studyin' so hard. 'Tain't good for his mind."

"I haven't noticed anything unusual," answered his wife.

"No? But I have. When he comes home from school for his holidays, aft-



er travelin' scores and scores of miles, what do ye think his fust words was?"

"I d'no."

"He says, 'Well, father, I'm half-back now.'"

"I looked at 'im, and I says, 'What do ye mean?'"

"Just what I say. I'm halfback."

"I says: 'Andrew, don't ye realize whare ye are? Ye ain't half back. Ye're all the way back, and I'm glad to see ye too.' An all he done was to jes' laugh and say he'd tell me all about it some time."—Omaha World-Herald.

Pastor's Bad Example.

The intemperate citizen had promised the clergyman that he would that night take just another drink and come to service on the morrow.

On Monday the clergyman chided the citizen for not having kept his word. "You promised me you'd take just another drink; see how many you've had since."

"Yes," retorted the man astutely, "yesterday morning you said, 'Now, just another word,' and see how many more you gave us after that."—Widow.

OILING HARNESS.

How to Make It Last Longer by Simple Methods.

Proper care of the harness is one department of the stable that is too often neglected, but there is nothing more essential to the life of the harness and the safety of those who use it.

One quart of neatsfoot oil is sufficient for a double harness. Wash the harness well with soap and water and hang in a warm room overnight to dry. Next day it will be in good condition to receive the oil. Add a little lamp-black to the oil to color it. Apply with rag or brush, rubbing it well into the leather, and hang in a warm room overnight. Next day rub well with a dry cloth, and it will be ready for use. Harness thus treated is much easier to handle, is far less liable to cause galls on the horses and will wear much longer.

How to Prevent Raveling.

In cutting out waists of any cloth that ravel overcast each piece as fast as cut and you will have no trouble with the goods raveling when the fitting is done. Bind the armholes after sleeves are sewed in place on all such fabrics that are made up without lining. Use binding ribbon, as it strengthens the armhole and prevents the raveling and fraying so liable to occur in some goods.

How to Make Oatmeal Gems.

To make delicious oatmeal gems mix a cup of oatmeal in a cup of sour milk, let it soak overnight and then add one teaspoonful of soda, a well beaten egg and half a cup of sugar. Stir in flour enough to make a batter.

Ammonia in Agriculture.

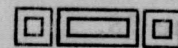
The Journal of German Engineers predicts that ammonia will be chiefly used as an artificial fertilizer in the very near future.

The consumption of sulphate of ammonia by the German farmers increased from 284,000 metric tons in 1908 to 330,000 in 1909, while the use of Chile saltpeter was about 450,000 tons, so that so far as the percentage of nitrogen is concerned ammonia is already a trifle ahead of saltpeter.

Germany consumes more than its own annual production, 322,700 tons at home.

England produces 348,000 tons, while the United States, in spite of its extensive use of coke as fuel, produces only 9,000 tons.

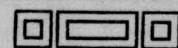
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Apricots	"	20
Prunes	"	10
Prunes, larger	"	15
Apples	"	15
Raisins, layer	"	10
Raisins, cluster	"	15
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Dates, Fard	"	35
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HINTS ON LAUNDERING.**How to Wash and Iron Fine Pieces at Home.**

If women would only launder their delicate lingerie waists themselves instead of putting them with other clothes to be rubbed to pieces they will be repaid by their wearing three or four times as long.

First carefully mend any little rip or tear in the waist, then wash in warm water with pure white soap, rubbing as little and as carefully as possible. Squeezing will take most of the dirt out. Rinse the soap out thoroughly, putting a few drops of bluing in the last water. Make a thin starch by putting one heaping tablespoonful of starch in a flat earthenware crock, adding cold water to make a paste, then turn on slowly one quart of boiling water, stirring all the time, and add a bit of bluing. Dip the waist in this, wring out and if white hang in the sunshine to dry and whiten; if colored, dry indoors. Half an hour before ironing sprinkle and roll in a towel. Be sure your irons are clean and rub a little paraffin over each one and try on paper before using. Remember that pongee should always be ironed when it is perfectly dry and with a warm, not hot, iron.

Iron the sleeves first, and by using a small iron you will find it possible to iron them without creasing, even if you do not possess a sleeve board. Then iron the body of the waist, doing the tucks and plain part first on the right side, leaving the embroidery and lace, which should be ironed on the wrong side, for the last. To iron the tucks nicely start at the shoulder, holding the waist at the bottom of the tucks firmly with the left hand to straighten them, and be careful not to use too hot an iron.

The mull ties and jabots look much softer and prettier if no starch is used, but the little neck things that are intended to hang straight can have just a bit of thin boiled starch in them. The plaited jabots should have the plaits firmly basted into place with fine stitches before being washed, and it is better to baste just at the bottom edge, so the lines of the thread won't show when it is ironed. When ironing begin at the bottom, pulling it gently from the top. The plaits adjust themselves.

It is a simple thing to launder embroidered collars and takes but a few minutes. Make a little cold starch by adding one-half tablespoonful of starch to a pint of cold water and add a drop of bluing. After washing and rinsing the collars rub them in the starch, fold them in a cloth for about ten minutes, place them on a well padded ironing board, then cover with a cloth and iron on the wrong side until nearly dry, then without the cloth until perfectly dry, finishing the buttonhole part on the right side to curve it. Turn over the embroidered part last.

INK STAINS.**How to Take Them Out of White Materials by Simple Methods.**

To remove ink stains from white materials before the ink is quite dry sprinkle it with salt and rub with half a lemon or even squeezed rind.

Rinse off the acid and wash at once. While the ink stains are wet a good plan is to sprinkle some powdered chalk or starch on the spot and moisten with milk.

When ink stains are fresh they may be removed by dipping the stained part into buttermilk or milk that has been boiled. Change the milk frequently and then wash the article well.

When ink has been allowed to get dry place the stained part on a saucer containing a little boiled water, moisten the stains and cover with oxalic acid. Let it remain a few minutes,

then pour boiling water on carefully to prevent the acid from spreading, as it will burn and rot the dry threads.

It is advisable for this reason that the article should be well rinsed in warm water. Pour a few drops of chlorinated soda upon dry ink spots. If the first application does not remove the stain try a little more liquid. Wash immediately.

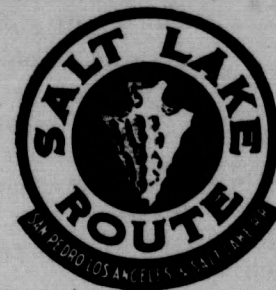
The chlorinated soda is cheap, 10 cents' worth being enough to last for some time. This preparation is a poison and should not be left within the reach of children. It is excellent for linen or cotton, but will destroy silk fabrics. Muriatic acid is most useful in removing red ink stains.

How to Launder Irish Lace.

Irish crochet lace may be laundered easily at home. Wash soap and water, rinse thoroughly, then dip in thin cold starch, putting a drop of bluing in the starch, as the lace is apt to turn yellow if none is used. Have several thicknesses of blanket covered by an ironing sheet on the table. Lay the lace right side down on it, cover with a cloth and iron until dry, pressing down hard. Then take your crochet hook and carefully pull out each little picot, raise all the petals of the flowers, then press the balls into shape with your fingers. Even a large piece like a coat or waist can be done at home just as well as the at cleaner's by following these directions.

How to Renew Color of Bricks.

When red bricks of a fireplace get discolored with soot or have white spots on them rub with a brick polish, the paste for which can be obtained at a brickyard or paint shop. If this paste cannot be found rub the bricks well with linseed oil, giving them all they will absorb. This treatment may be repeated several times if the bricks



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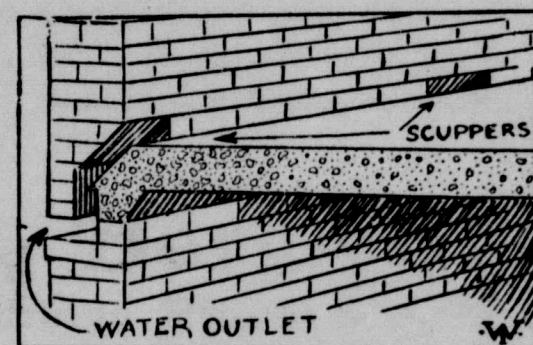
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are much discolored. Where brick pavements are discolored with moss or green mold scrub with a strong solution of household ammonia and water or with washing soda and hot water.

SCUPPERS IN WALLS.

Device to Permit Escape of Water From Flooded Floors.

In case of a fire in a factory there is generally more damage done to the contents by water than by the fire. Especially is this true on concrete floors. Scupper openings should be made in walls carrying such floors to allow a free outlet for the surplus



SCUPPERS TO DRAIN FLOORS.

water to run away on the outside of the wall. This is necessary to protect the contents of the rooms below.

The illustration herewith shows the section of a brick wall and concrete floor through one of the scupper openings. The openings are formed with wood wedges, which are removed after the concrete has set. The rise at the end of the concrete prevents the cold air entering the building in the winter. —Popular Mechanics.

How to Remove Tar.

Alcohol spirits of wine, turpentine and ether will all remove tar. Apply with a small sponge.

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AT THE THEATERS

Belasco

George Broadhurst's successful play, "The Call of the North," will be the offering of Lewis S. Stone and the Belasco company next week commencing with a special matinee Monday. The play is a stage version of Stewart Edward White's popular story, "The Conjuror's House," and the people in it are those sturdy inhabitants of the Hudson Bay country, with a sprinkling of Americans from neighboring towns.

"The Call of the North" will give Mr. Stone, who will be seen as Ned Trent, splendid opportunities for effective acting, while the assignment of parts that has been made for the other members of the company, insures some exceptionally fine opportunities for good work.

"The Call of the North" has to do with the efforts of Ned Trent of St. Paul to discover the murderer of his father, who had come into the Hudson Bay country to trade with the Indians, independent of the Hudson Bay representatives—a proceeding that was looked upon as little worse than treason. Young Trent falls in love with Virginia, the factor's daughter, just as he is arrested, as his father was some years before. Trent's efforts to escape "La Longue Traverse" with its inevitable death, either by starvation or at the hands of Indian allies of the trading company, afford the dramatist his reason for having the factor's daughter supply Trent with a rifle and enough provisions to insure his safe return to his own country. Trent's capture and the person who gave him the rifle and provisions are treated with

a dramatic force and power that while they are melodramatic, are nevertheless mightily interesting and exciting.

Burbank

"Quincy Adams Sawyer," a dramatization of the famously popular novel of the same name by Charles Felton Pidgin, will be the offering by the Burbank stock company for the week beginning with the matinee New Year's day. This great rural comedy, recognized as the most characteristic New England play ever written, never has been seen in Los Angeles, either by a traveling company or a stock company. It won great popularity, however, in the east, because of its originality of plot and quaint characterization. The only book which has ever compared with it in style and humor is "David Harum," and in a number of ways the pieces are similar. The play gets its name from Quincy Adams Sawyer, a young man of aristocratic New England lineage, who, while visiting a little town in the country of the Pilgrim Fathers, buys a little grocery and general store to circumvent the machinations of the village

villain, a man of considerable wealth but no scruples as to the manner of adding to it.

Majestic

Los Angeles has been included in the itinerary of "Madame X," the intense emotional drama which Henry W. Savage is sending on tour after its long runs in New York and Chicago, where this play duplicated the remarkable success it achieved throughout Europe following its triumphant premiere at the Theatre Porte Ste. Martin in Paris. "Madame X" will be the offering at the Hamburger's Majestic theatre next week with a special matinee Monday, January 2, and the production will be carried out, even to the smallest detail exactly as seen for the greater part of last season at the New Amsterdam Theatre in New York City, while the cast is one of the most prominent and carefully selected brought to this city in many seasons. The famous last act of "Madame X" which depicts a murder trial in a French court includes over one hundred persons in its dramatic ensemble and is one of the most gripping scenes in the history of the stage.



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